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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1621

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6520**
Takehiko SAWABE et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2007_0588
Serial No. 10/531,382 : Group Art Unit 1621
Filed April 15, 2005 : Examiner Paul A. Zucker
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 2, 2009, please amend the present application as follows: